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1. [redacted] as to why Poland, which used to export wheat, is now importing it, [redacted] collective farms are partly responsible. [redacted]

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collective farms do provide regular and shorter work hours than private farms. The reply of the government to complaints of the people that there is not enough wheat is that more bread is being consumed now than before the war. [redacted] "people eat more bread when there is not enough meat."

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2. Private property is a concept difficult to kill [redacted] many people keep money where it will be safe or in a "bank" two meters deep. As evidence of this [redacted] in Stettin where the government authorized limited private enterprise. [redacted] suddenly money appeared and comparatively handsome shops blossomed along the business districts. In short order, the state-operated stores, which were replete with manager, secretary, and paper-work, were being driven out of business. The state's reaction was that this was unfair, inasmuch as their employees were prohibited by the state from working such long hours as their private competitors. Accordingly, the government now limits private ownership of businesses to those enterprises which do not compete with state-operated facilities. As a side-light to this story, [redacted] if any people in Europe have had experience in "banking" money underground and in surviving alien concepts of economics and government, it is the Poles. [redacted] while "things" are not as good as before World War II, they are better than they were before Gomulka.

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5. The Gomulka regime has apparently severely curtailed the power of the Polish police. [redacted] there are some residential areas of Gdynia where juvenile delinquency and its attendant "muggings," pilfering, etc have made it necessary for citizens to help police these areas in company with regular

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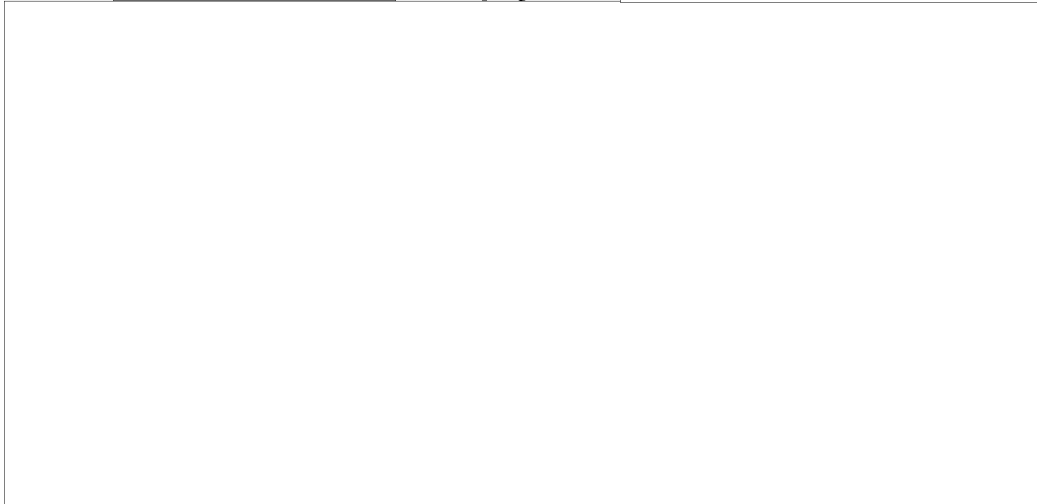
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police. While the regulars cannot use their clubs or guns, even in self-defense [redacted] the citizen can. [redacted]

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